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<u>INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u>

Sir:

Enclosed is a copy of an Information Disclosure Statement by Applicant ("IDS") (Form PTO/SB/08A and 08B as required) together with copies of the cited documents. It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered by the Examiner and the IDS be initialed by the Examiner to indicate such consideration and that a copy of such be returned to Applicant(s).

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Respectfully submitted,

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